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CASE NO. SAM1.PAU.14.B

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of:)	
Richard Humpleman, et al.)	Examiner: William L. Bashore
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For: Method and Apparatus for a Home)	Group Art Unit: 2176
Network Auto-Tree Builder)	
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Application No.: 10/603,363)	February 24, 2006
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Filed: June 24, 2003)	Irvine, California 92612

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby files this Response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated January 25, 2006, in the above-referenced patent application.

Enclosed please find a Supplemental Preliminary Amendment which complies with 37 C.F.R. §1.121. In the enclosed Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, Claims 3-8 have been canceled and renumbered as Claims 13-18.

Applicants believe that the Supplemental Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently with this Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is in condition for examination.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-1960 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed for that purpose.

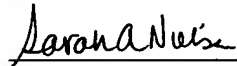
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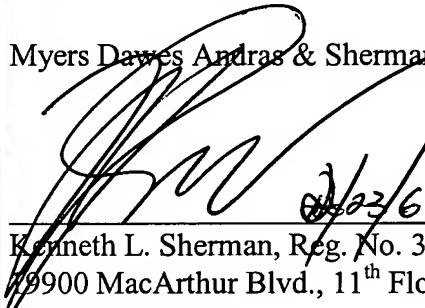
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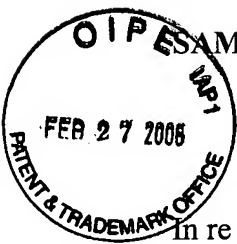
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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 25, 2006, and before examination of the above-referenced patent application please amend the application as follows. Examination and allowance of all claims is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7.